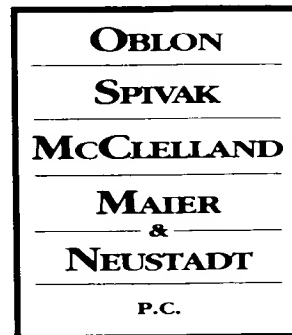


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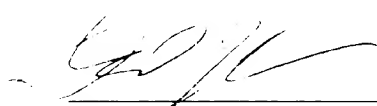
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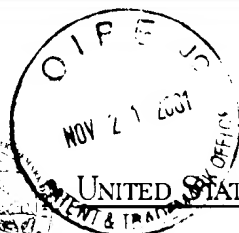
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
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In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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